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SENATOR WICKERSHAM: The report is adopted. The next item of business is LR 322. Mr. Clerk, would you please read the resolution.

CLERK: (Read resolution.)

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Senator Coordsen, you are recognized to open on the resolution.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. The Warner Memorial Committee, consisting of myself, Senator Crosby, Senator Wesely, Senator Kristensen, Senator Withem, who has now been replaced with Senator Wehrbein, met a number of times over the last nine months or so looking at ways how we could provide a perpetual memorial for Jerry Warner. Excuse me. I'm catching one of your colds that somebody brought in from the outside. The process was such that we asked for and received many suggestions from the public, other entities of government, other government officials. The idea that came up the most often was the one of naming the old Senate Chamber as the Warner Hearing Room. Our committee decided unanimously that that effort would be the most proper tribute that the legislative body could pay not only to Jerome Warner, but to the legacy that the Warner family left the state. We, at the present time, have only plans to restore the Chamber to its original condition and make that Chamber available as a lasting tribute to the Warner family, to all of the children of the state of Nebraska, to other uses as well as retaining its functional capacity and its historical significance to the citizens of the state as well as the Legislature. This request is not made lightly, and I would hope that the body of the Legislature has a unanimous vote of those present to rename the East Chamber as the Warner Legislative Chamber. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. The order of speakers are Senator Wesely followed by Senator Kristensen. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I rise in support of the resolution. It was an